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1. GOJ COUNTERFEIT CONTROL OFFICE HAS IDENTIFIED SUBJECT AS LT COL MUHAMMAD ABU AMJAD, BORN ABOUT 42 YEARS AGO IN ABBASIYYA, NEAR AMMAN, JORDAN. HE IS A JORDANIAN CITIZEN BUT WAS EXPELLED BY GOJ IN 1970 FOR SIDING WITH PALESTINIANS IN CIVIL WAR AGAINST KING HUSSEIN. HE HAS NOT RETURNED SINCE THEN AND WOULD BE FORBIDDEN ENTRY BY GOJ IF HE TRIED. GOJ AUTHORITIES BELIEVE HE MAINTAINS JORDANIAN PASSPORT BUT ARE UNABLE CONFIRM.
2. ACCORDING TO GOJ RECORDS, ABU AMJAD IS IN BEIRUT AND ACTS AS "SECOND ASSISTANT" TO SENIOR FATAH OFFICIAL KHALIL AL-WAZIR (ABU JIHAD). WHATEVER COUNTERFEITING ACTIVITY THEY AYE INVOLVED IN IS BELIEVED TO BE SUBORDINATE IN IMPORTANCE TO (AND PROBABLY UNDERTAKEN

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IN SUPPORT OF) THEIR FATAH MILITARY ACTIVITIES.

3. AFTER REVIEW OF IMMIGRATION OFFICE RECORDS ON ITALIANS WHO HAVE ENTERED JORDAN, GOJ COUNTERFEIT POLICE FOUND ENTRY FORMS FOR HUSBAND AND WIFE WHO GAVE AN AMMAN PRINTING FIRM AS BUSINESS ADDRESS. COUPLE ENTERED JORDAN FIRST TIME APPROXIMATELY TWO

YEARS AGO. THEY ARE: EMILIO LANGO, BORN IN CAIRO,
BEARER OF ITALIAN PPT 4082553, ISSUED IN BRAZIL,
AND ORNELIA CASTELDELIE, BEARER OF ITALIAN PPT
5154559, ALSO ISSUED IN BRAZIL. PRINTING COMPANY
IS IDENTIFIED AS PERSONAL PRINTING CO IN JEBEL AMMAN
NEAR THIRD CIRCLE. PRELIMINARY POLICE INVESTIGATION
OF COMPANY REVEALED NO SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES; COMPANY
ENEGAGED IN NORMAL COMMERCIAL BUSINESS.

4. GOJ AUTHORITIES PLEASED TO INVESTIGATE THIS CASE
FURTHER IF USSS CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
POLICE AUTHORITIES HAVE, HOWEVER, EXPRESSED SOME
SKEPTICISM THAT ILLEGAL PRINTING PLANT WOULD BE
ESTABLISHED IN AMMAN BY SOMEONE OPERATING OUT OF
BEIRUT WHEN PLANT COULD BE SET UP WITH IMPUNITY IN
"LAWLESS" LEBANON.
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